

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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BLOTSKY <i>et al.</i>	)	Conf. No.: 5386
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Application Serial No.: 10/725,729	)	Art Unit: 1615
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Filing Date: December 2, 2003	)	Examiner: Hasan Syed Ahmed
	)	
For: MINERAL, NUTRITIONAL, COSMETIC,	)	
PHARMACEUTICAL, AND AGRICULTURAL	)	
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR	)	
PRODUCING THE SAME	)	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

BALLARD SPAHR LLP  
Customer Number 23859  
March 29, 2010

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed September 29, 2009, which set forth three-month period for reply, *i.e.*, December 29, 2009, Applicants now submit this Amendment and Response, a Petition for an Extension of Time to extend the period of reply for three months, *i.e.*, March 29, 2010, the corresponding fee, and an Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form. In light of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the application be reconsidered and placed in condition for allowance.

The **Listing of Claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

The **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.